AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the last paragraph bridging pages 24 and 25 with the following rewritten paragraph:

The diffraction peak intensity between layers of the laminar silicate in X-ray diffraction in the cross-sectional direction of the polyester film is preferably such that the orientation factor fc in formula (5) below is <u>no less than 0.8</u>~~no greater than 0.8~~.

$$fc = \frac{3 < \cos^2 \phi > c - 1}{2}, \quad < \cos^2 \phi > c = \frac{\int_0^{\pi/2} Ic(\phi) \cos^2 \phi \sin \phi \, d\phi}{\int_0^{\pi/2} Ic(\phi) \sin \phi \, d\phi} \quad (5)$$

(wherein fc is the orientation factor, φ is the declination in the in-plane direction of the film, and Ic(φ) is the diffraction intensity for the declination φ)

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